

**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS**

**AMENDMENT DATE:** March 22, 2011  
**POSITION:** Neutral

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 720  
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**BILL SUMMARY: Vehicles: Drivers' Licenses: Military Personnel**

This bill extends the validity of a driver's license of the spouse of a person in the military while the spouse and the member of the military are absent from the state.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) estimates costs to be minor and absorbable because of the low volume of expected eligible applicants.

**COMMENTS**

Finance is neutral on the bill because it would provide greater flexibility for a military spouse to maintain a valid California driver's license while the spouse and military member are out of state.

Existing law makes a California driver's license held by a person in the United States Armed Forces valid for the entire period the person is absent from the state so long as service continues and up to 30 days following the date the person is honorably separated from military service or until the date the person returns to California. After discharge, in order for the license to remain valid, the person must have both the license and discharge papers in his or her immediate possession.

This bill would provide this same extension of validity of the driver's license to a military spouse while the spouse and member of the military are absent from the state.

		SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)								
Code/Department		LA	(Dollars in Thousands)								
Agency or Revenue		CO	PROP								Fund
Type		RV	98	FC	2010-2011	FC	2011-2012	FC	2012-2013	Code	
2740/DMV		SO	No		-----	Minor Fiscal Impact			-----	0044	
<u>Fund Code</u>	<u>Title</u>										
0044	Motor Vehicle Account, STF										

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